

at least one self-adhesive hydrophobic polymer which is non-ionic and non-water-swellable, and is selected from [polymers or copolymers of the polyacrylic and/or polyvinyl type] copolymers of the acrylic/vinyl type, (2) at least one compound selected from the group consisting of a <sup>B1 cont</sup> filler and[or] an essential oil, and (3) at least one keratolytic agent, said polymer having an adhesiveness of between 150 and 800 g/cm<sup>2</sup> after evaporation of said organic solvent.

### REMARKS

Reconsideration is requested.

Claims 1-17 are pending.

The above amended claim 1 is supported by the specification at page 3, line 15 and page 3, lines 26-27, respectively.

The applicants affirm the election, with traverse, of the subject matter of Group I, claims 1-9, 15 and 17.

The applicants respectfully request rejoinder, however, and allowance of claims 10-14 and 16 once claim 1 is allowed. The Examiner will appreciate these claims are directed to methods involving the composition of claim 1, and, under the circumstances, rejoinder is submitted to be appropriate. See, Notice at 1184 OG 86 (March 25, 1996) and TRAINING MATERIALS FOR TREATMENT OF PRODUCT AND PROCESS CLAIMS IN LIGHT OF *IN RE BROUWER AND IN RE OCHIAI* AND 35 U.S.C. 103(b), Office of Patent Policy Dissemination, Patent Academy, USPTO, rev. 7/25/96.